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The following information was obtained on VP personnel in Gotha (M 51/J 06) :

1. The VP unit stationed in the Flak Kaserne on the road to Ohrdruf (M 51/J 15) was **considerably** reinforced. It is now estimated at 2,000 police.
2. A VP school has recently been established in the Infanterie Kaserne on Loewenstrasse. The school cadre personnel and the staff of instructors numbered about 200, almost exclusively German ex-service-men and officers. The trainees numbered about 600. They underwent a five-week training course at the Ohrdruf troop training grounds.
3. The VP motor park was on Gadollastrasse. Twelve personnel carriers, six passenger cars and three 5-ton trucks were seen there. The VP motor vehicles in operation were garaged in the Flak Kaserne.
4. A VP Sonderkommando of 15 officers and 30 police has been billeted in three large villas on Parkstrasse and Grosse-Fahnenstrasse since 1 March 1950. The unit, whose mission could not be learned, has no connection with the Bereitschaftspolizei and the municipal police. The EM of the special unit draw their rations at the Infanterie Kaserne while the officers provide for themselves.

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